DEQ Nutrient Work Group Meeting 22 September 5, 2013 1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. Room 111, Metcalf Building 1520 E. Sixth Ave Helena, Montana

## **Preliminary Agenda Subject to Change**

I.	Welcome	& I	introd	uctions
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#### II. Meeting Agenda

The agenda for the meeting will be reviewed.

## III. Review of the July 9th, 2013 Meeting Summary

Gerald Mueller will review and seek approval of the summary of the July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Nutrient Work Group (NWG) meeting.

# IV. Overview of the 7/26 briefing to the Board of Environmental Review on nutrient criteria and implementation. Mark Bostrom, others

# V. Topics pertaining to Criteria

- **1. Streamlined site-specific numeric nutrient criteria.** Dr. Michael Suplee will present a process by which site-specific nutrient criteria can be identified and adopted
- **2. Adoption of chlorophyll** *a* **as a standard**. Dr. Michael Suplee will discuss why adopting Chl*a* as a standard is DEQ's preferred approach, followed by group discussion
- **3**. **Aggregate standards (combining nutrients, biological measures).** Dr. Michael Suplee and Tina Laidlaw will discuss the process, followed by group discussion

### **VI.** Staged Reduction of Nutrients

- **1. For mechanical facilities > 1MGD, <1MGD.** Dave Mumford, Shari Johnson or others from the MLCT will present proposed staged nutrient-reduction for dischargers
- **2. Projected costs to meet staged reduction**. Dr. Jeff Blend will present cost estimates for meeting staged reductions and which communities may need individual variances.
- **3. WERF's affordability process.** Dr. Jeff Blend will present his evaluation of WERF's new affordability analysis, followed by group discussion of these 3 related topics.
- VII. Activities related to non-degradation and nutrient criteria. George Mathieus and others will discuss
- VIII. Small rule details, and schedule for Rule Package movement to the BER
- IX. Public Comment
- X. Next Meeting